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### 2000-2001 Schedule/Results

| DATE    | OPPONENT                        | TIME/RESULT |
|---------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 10/7    | Waterloo (Ont.)#                | W 3-0       |
| 10/13   | at St. Cloud State              | L 1-3       |
| 10/14   | at St. Cloud State              | T 3-3 OT    |
| 10/20   | Northern Michigan*              | L 3-4 OT    |
| 10/21   | Northern Michigan*              | T 1-1 OT    |
| 10/27   | at Nebraska Omaha*              | L 4-7       |
| 10/28   | at Nebraska Omaha*              | L 3-7       |
| 11/3    | Colgate                         | W 5-4       |
| 11/4    | Colgate                         | W 3-1       |
| 11/10   | at Michigan*                    | L 1-4       |
| 11/11   | Michigan*                       | W 5-4       |
| 11/24   | at Western Michigan*            | L 1-3       |
| 11/25   | at Western Michigan*            | L 4-7       |
| 12/1    | Ohio State*                     | L 1-6       |
| 12/2    | Ohio State*                     | T 1-1 OT    |
| 12/8    | Michigan State*                 | T 0-0 OT    |
| 12/9    | at Michigan State*              | L 1-4       |
| 12/15   | Findlay                         | W 5-0       |
| 12/16   | Findlay                         | L 2-3       |
| 12/29   | Providence◆                     | L 2-4       |
| 12/30   | Air Force◆                      | W 3-2       |
| 1/5     | at Notre Dame*                  | W 4-2       |
| 1/6     | at Notre Dame*                  | W 3-2 OT    |
| 1/12    | Miami (Ohio)*                   | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 1/13    | Miami (Ohio)*                   | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 1/19    | at Alaska Fairbanks*            | 11:05 p.m.  |
| 1/20    | at Alaska Fairbanks*            | 11:05 p.m.  |
| 2/2     | Alaska Fairbanks*               | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/3     | Alaska Fairbanks*               | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/9     | at Lake Superior State*         | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/10    | at Lake Superior State*         | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/16    | Bowling Green State*            | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/17    | Bowling Green State*            | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/23    | Nebraska Omaha*                 | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 2/24    | Nebraska Omaha*                 | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 3/2     | at Bowling Green State*         | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 3/3     | at Bowling Green State*         | 7:05 p.m.   |
| 3/9-11  | CCHA Tournament 1st Rd.         | TBA         |
| 3/13    | CCHA Tournament Play-In         | TBA         |
| 3/16    | CCHA Tournament Semifinals      | TBA         |
| 3/17    | CCHA Tournament Championship    | 7:35 p.m.   |
| 3/23-24 | NCAAEast Regional               | TBA         |
| 3/24-25 | NCAAWest Regional▲              | TBA         |
| 4/5     | NCAA Frozen Four Semifinals★    | TBA         |
| 4/7     | NCAA Frozen Four Championships★ | 7 p.m.      |

All times Eastern; home games in **bold**

\* – Central Collegiate Hockey Association game

# – Exhibition

◆ – Wells Fargo Denver (Colo.) Cup Tournament

▶ – Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)

▲ – Grand Rapids, Mich. (Van Andel Arena)

★ – Albany, N.Y. (Pepsi Arena)

### FSU WINS THIRD STRAIGHT GAME; HOSTS MIAMI (OHIO) THIS WEEKEND

**THIS WEEK:** The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team will put its three-game winning streak on the line this weekend (Jan. 12-13) as the Bulldogs host the Miami (Ohio) University RedHawks in a Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) two-game series at Big Rapids, Mich.

**FACEOFF/ARENA:** Friday and Saturday – 7:05 p.m. (EST)/R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (2,450).

**FSU TICKET INFORMATION:** Tickets for all 2000-2001 FSU home games are available by contacting the Ewigleben Arena Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888. Office hours are Monday thru Friday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST) and Saturday (home games only) – 12 to 5 p.m. (EST)

**THE RECORDS:** Ferris State improved to 7-11-4 overall and 3-8-3 in the CCHA with a league road series sweep of Notre Dame last weekend (Jan. 5-6) at UND's Joyce Center in Notre Dame, Ind. The Bulldogs posted a 4-2 triumph in last Friday's (Jan. 5) series opener and then recorded a 3-2 overtime victory in Saturday's rematch. Ferris, which is 4-3-3 at home this season, has won four of its last six games to date. FSU is 2-7-1 on the road and 1-1-0 at neutral sites this season.

Ferris State registered a 21-16-2 overall record last season while finishing sixth for the second straight season in the CCHA with a 13-13-2 mark. The 20-plus season win total marked the first time since 1992-93 that the Bulldogs had won at least 20 games.

**Miami (Ohio)**, who's presently 10-8-2 overall and 7-4-1 in the CCHA, hasn't played since Dec. 29-30. The RedHawks suffered a pair of defeats at Dartmouth's Ledyard Bank/Auld Lang Syne Classic (Dec. 29-30) in Hanover, N.H. MU had its three-game winning streak snapped as a result of losing a 4-1 decision to Vermont in the tourney's opening round (Dec. 29). New Hampshire notched a 4-0 victory over the RedHawks in the consolation game (Dec. 30). MU has won nine of its last 12 games to date, which featured a six-game victory string at one point. The RedHawks are 5-6-0 on the road, 5-1-2 at home and 0-1-0 at neutral sites this campaign.

**HEAD COACH BOB DANIELS:** Bob Daniels is in

his ninth year at Ferris State this season, the longest tenure of any Bulldog hockey coach. The sixth head coach in the program's history, Daniels became FSU's winningest coach on March 4, 2000, in a 7-0 regular-season finale win at Western Michigan to surpass the program's inaugural coach Rick Duffett (1975-82; 119-83-7). In the last eight seasons, Daniels is tops among all-time FSU coaches in CCHA wins (89) and CCHA Tourney victories (five).

**THE COACHES:** Ferris State – **Bob Daniels** (Michigan State, 1982), 9th season, 128-168-30 (.439) – (8-13-5 vs. Miami (Ohio)); Home–5-3-3; Away–3-9-2; Neutral–0-1-0). **Miami (Ohio)** – **Enrico Blasi** (Miami, 1994), 2nd season, 23-28-5 (.455) – (1-0-1 vs. Ferris State).

**COACH DANIELS ON THIS WEEKEND:** "We're coming off of our first sweep in league play and I'm hopeful we will build off that momentum. In this league, you must keep scratching and clawing for every league point."

**THE SERIES:** Ferris State and Miami (Ohio) will meet for the 72nd and 73rd times this weekend with FSU holding a 31-29-11 lead. The RedHawks compiled a 1-0-1 mark versus the Bulldogs last season in Oxford, Ohio, skating to a 4-4 overtime tie (1/21) and registering a 4-3 overtime victory (1/22). Ferris is 15-10-8 at home, 16-17-3 on the road, and 0-2-0 at neutral sites against MU. The Bulldogs are 5-9-3 in their last 17 games versus the RedHawks. FSU's Kevin Swider has a team-best six career points (2-4-6) against Miami in eight contests.

**ABOUT MIAMI (OHIO):** Junior forward Jason Deskins (12-11-23) leads eight RedHawk players in double-figure points this season. Deskins ranks eighth among this week's CCHA overall scoring leaders while Leahy is tied for 18th place. Senior forwards Pat Leahy (4-15-19) and Gregor Krajnc (10-7-17) along with junior defenseman Ken Marsch (0-16-16) are other top points leaders. Sophomore David Burleigh (8-7-2, 3.04 GAA, .888 sv%) has been the team's top goaltender. His backup is freshman David Bowen (2-1-0, 2.17 GAA, .935 sv%).

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# 2000-2001 CCHA STANDINGS



|                         | GP        | CONFERENCE |          |          |          |           | GF        | GA       | W         | OVERALL  |           |           |    |
|-------------------------|-----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----|
|                         |           | W          | L        | T        | Pts      | GF        |           |          |           | GA       | L         | T         | GF |
| 1. Michigan State       | 13        | 9          | 1        | 3        | 21       | 38        | 16        | 16       | 1         | 4        | 69        | 28        |    |
| 2. Western Michigan     | 13        | 9          | 2        | 2        | 20       | 59        | 42        | 16       | 3         | 2        | 96        | 60        |    |
| 3. Michigan             | 13        | 9          | 3        | 1        | 19       | 52        | 24        | 15       | 5         | 3        | 93        | 57        |    |
| 4. Miami (Ohio)         | 12        | 7          | 4        | 1        | 15       | 43        | 33        | 10       | 8         | 2        | 62        | 62        |    |
| Ohio State              | 14        | 7          | 6        | 1        | 15       | 44        | 38        | 10       | 9         | 1        | 72        | 56        |    |
| 6. Northern Michigan    | 14        | 5          | 5        | 4        | 14       | 37        | 40        | 9        | 6         | 5        | 66        | 54        |    |
| 7. Nebraska Omaha       | 14        | 6          | 7        | 1        | 13       | 42        | 48        | 11       | 10        | 1        | 62        | 63        |    |
| 8. Lake Superior State  | 17        | 6          | 11       | 0        | 12       | 36        | 60        | 10       | 14        | 0        | 59        | 82        |    |
| Alaska Fairbanks        | 14        | 4          | 6        | 4        | 12       | 37        | 50        | 6        | 8         | 4        | 53        | 58        |    |
| 10. Bowling Green State | 14        | 3          | 7        | 4        | 10       | 39        | 42        | 6        | 10        | 4        | 57        | 58        |    |
| <b>11. Ferris State</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>3</b>   | <b>8</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>52</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>72</b> |    |
| 12. Notre Dame          | 14        | 2          | 10       | 2        | 6        | 29        | 43        | 4        | 16        | 3        | 55        | 84        |    |

### RESULTS LAST WEEK

#### Friday, January 5

##### Ferris State 4, at Notre Dame 2\*

at Alaska Fairbanks 6, at Iona 2  
at Michigan 2, Lake Superior State 0\*  
at Michigan State 5, Yale 0  
Bowling Green State 8, at Princeton 3  
Western Michigan 3, at Ohio State 1\*  
Michigan Tech 4, at Northern Michigan 2

#### Saturday, January 6

##### Ferris State 3, at Notre Dame 2 OT\*

at Alaska Fairbanks 7, Iona 0  
Western Michigan 3, at Ohio State 2\*  
Bowling Green State 5, at Princeton 0  
at Michigan State 4, Yale 0

#### Sunday, January 7

at Michigan 5, at Lake Superior State 0\*  
at Northern Michigan 8, York 0▲

### GAMES THIS WEEK

#### Thursday, January 11

Alaska Fairbanks at Northern Michigan\*

#### Friday, January 12

##### Miami (Ohio) at Ferris State\*, 7:05 p.m.

Alaska Fairbanks at Northern Michigan\*  
Bowling Green State at Nebraska Omaha\*, 8:05 p.m.  
Western Michigan at Notre Dame\*  
Michigan at Ohio State\*  
Michigan State at Lake Superior State\*

#### Saturday, January 13

##### Miami (Ohio) at Ferris State\*, 7:05 p.m.

Bowling Green State at Nebraska Omaha\*, 8:05 p.m.  
Notre Dame at Western Michigan\*  
Michigan at Ohio State\*  
Michigan State at Lake Superior State\*

All times are Eastern \* - CCHAGame

▲ - Exhibition

**KUNITZ GAINS CCHA HONOR:** Sophomore left wing **Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.)** has been selected the CCHA Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in FSU's sweep at Notre Dame. Kunitz, who recorded four points (3-1-4) in the two-game set, scored both game-winning goals in the series. He tallied the game winner at 2:11 into the overtime period in Saturday's contest and was +2 in the two games.

**BULLDOG BITES:** Junior right wing-center **Rob Collins (Kitchener, Ont.)** has a current seven-game point streak after recording a point apiece (two goals) in last weekend's series at Notre Dame. He has totaled 10 points (4-6-10) in his last seven games . . . The Bulldogs are 7-4-1 this season when scoring three goals or more and 0-7-3 when tallying two goals or less . . .

Senior center **Kevin Swider (Livonia)** moved into a three-way tie for 15th place on FSU's all-time goal scoring list with his 50th career marker at Notre Dame last Friday. Swider, who's presently tied with Tom Rudrud (1979-83) and Ed Turner (1976-



80) is now one away from tying Dean Cowling (1985-89) for 14th place . . . The Bulldogs' penalty-kill unit is operating at 85.5% (47-55) efficiency in their last nine outings and didn't allow a power-play goal in four of those games .

. . . **Chris Kunitz** has presently posted three consecutive multi-point game performances while compiling six points (3-3-6) in that span. Kunitz's five multi-point game efforts to date this campaign matches his total of a season ago . . . Ferris' top three scorers this season - **Kevin Swider** (22 pts.), **Chris Kunitz** (19 pts.) and **Rob Collins** (19 pts.) have accounted for 44.4% (60-of-135) of the team's points production and 57.1% (32-of-56) of the squad's goal scoring to date.

**LAST WEEK:** The following are FSU's game summaries from last weekend's series at Notre Dame.

#### January 5, 2001 - at Joyce Center (1,948)

|              |   |   |   |    |   |
|--------------|---|---|---|----|---|
| Ferris State | 1 | 1 | 2 | -- | 4 |
| Notre Dame   | 0 | 2 | 0 | -- | 2 |

**1st:** FS-Collins (9) (Lewis, Dube); PPG: 6:11

**2nd:** ND-Van Arkel (2) (Carlson); 5:29

ND-R. Dolder (9) (Lebda, Carlson); PPG: 10:52

### BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest,

one Ferris State player will be named

Bulldog of the Game by the FSU coaching staff. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

| DATE/OPP.              | PLAYER       | NOTES    |
|------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Oct. 13 at SCSU        | Kevin Swider | 1-0-1    |
| Oct. 14 at SCSU        | Rob Collins  | 2-0-2    |
| Oct. 20 vs. NMU        | Kevin Swider | 1-1-2    |
| Oct. 21 vs. NMU        | Chris Kunitz | 1-0-1    |
| Oct. 27 at UNO         | Josh Bowers  | 2-0-2    |
| Oct. 28 at UNO         | Phil Meyer   | 1-0-1    |
| Nov. 3 vs. Colgate     | Kevin Swider | 2-1-3    |
| Nov. 4 vs. Colgate     | Scott Lewis  | 1-0-1    |
| Nov. 10 at Michigan    | Chris Kunitz | 1-0-1    |
| Nov. 11 vs. Michigan   | Rob Collins  | 1-1-2    |
| Nov. 24 at WMU         | Phil Osaer   | 16 saves |
| Nov. 25 at WMU         | Josh Bowers  | 1-1-2    |
| Dec. 1 vs. Ohio St.    | Josh Bowers  | 1-0-1    |
| Dec. 2 vs. Ohio St.    | Phil Osaer   | 32 saves |
| Dec. 8 vs. Mich. St.   | Phil Osaer   | 16 saves |
| Dec. 9 at Mich. St.    | Jim Dube     | 1-0-1    |
| Dec. 15 vs. Findlay    | Phil Osaer   | 13 saves |
| Dec. 16 vs. Findlay    | Chris Kunitz | 2-0-2    |
| Dec. 29 vs. Providence | Kevin Swider | 1-0-1    |
| Dec. 30 vs. Air Force  | Rob Collins  | 1-1-2    |
| Jan. 5 at N. Dame      | Chris Kunitz | 2-0-2    |
| Jan. 6 at N. Dame      | Phil Osaer   | 24 saves |
| Jan. 12 at Miami       |              |          |
| Jan. 13 at Miami       |              |          |
| Jan. 19 at UAF         |              |          |
| Jan. 20 at UAF         |              |          |
| Feb. 2 vs. UAF         |              |          |
| Feb. 3 vs. UAF         |              |          |
| Feb. 9 at LSSU         |              |          |
| Feb. 10 at LSSU        |              |          |
| Feb. 16 vs. BGSU       |              |          |
| Feb. 17 vs. BGSU       |              |          |
| Feb. 23 vs. UNO        |              |          |
| Feb. 24 vs. UNO        |              |          |
| Mar. 2 at BGSU         |              |          |
| Mar. 3 at BGSU         |              |          |

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▲ - Championship ▼ - Consolation

# - Exhibition

FS-Swider (11) (unassisted); 19:55  
**3rd:** FS-Kunitz (9) (Lewis, Dube); PPG: 3:34  
FS-Kunitz (10) (unassisted); ENG & PPG: 19:53

**Penalties:** FS 7-14, ND 8-16

**Power Plays:** FS 3-8, ND 1-6

**Saves:** FS-Osaer (6-9-5-20); 60:00

ND-Kolquist (8-14-7-29); 58:46

Referee-Brent Rutherford

Asst. Refs-Troester, Vida

#### January 6, 2001 - at Joyce Center (2,605)

|              |   |   |   |   |    |   |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|----|---|
| Ferris State | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -- | 3 |
| Notre Dame   | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | -- | 2 |

**2nd:** FS-Collins (10) (Kunitz, D. McIver); 10:41

ND-Carlson (7) (Dolder, Lebda); 14:01

**3rd:** FS-Milam (2) (Swider, Lewandowski); 15:00

ND-Lebda (4) (Carlson, Gill); 7-4 PPG; 19:43

**OT:** FS-Kunitz (11) (D. McIver, Smith); 2:11

**Penalties:** FS 9-26, ND 7-14

**Power Plays:** FS 0-5, ND 1-6

**Saves:** FS-Osaer (5-8-9-2-24); 58:59

ND-Kimento (8-9-7-1-25); 61:18

Referee-Brent Rutherford

Asst. Refs-Troester, Vida

### UP NEXT: Ferris State continues Central Collegiate Hockey

Association play next weekend (Jan. 19-20) as the Bulldogs travel to Fairbanks, Alaska for a two-game series against the Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks. Both contests are scheduled for 11:05 p.m. (EST) starting times at UAF's Carlson Center.